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Serial No. 10/689,665

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October 22, 2003

Date: June 22, 2005

Title:

METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR THE THICKENING OF FIBER SUSPENSIONS

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

RESPONSE/AMENDMENT/LETTER

This is a response/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes an attachment which is hereby incorporated by reference and the signature below serves as the signature to the attachment in the absence of any other signature thereon.

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AMENDMENT

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Responsive to the Official Action dated February 24, 2005, petition being hereby made for a one (1) month time extension up to, and including, June 24, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as noted in the following sections.

Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.121, each section of the subject Amendment (e.g., Claim Amendments, Specification Amendments, Drawing Amendments and Remarks) as may be appropriate to the issues raised in the Official Action to which this paper responds, begins on a separate page. Changes to the original text, claims and the like are shown by striking through language to be deleted and underlining of language to be added.

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